



Christmas Newsletter 2011

Message from our Director:

There is no greater declaration of love than "God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son". As December unfolds each year, our world is caught up in all that it believes makes the celebration of Christmas special. Here at the Pregnancy Resource Centre, we daily see clients who often struggle with the very basic needs of life. It is our privilege to touch each life and make a significant difference – every day of the year. As Christmas approaches, our desire is to bless each client, making them feel special and valued.

2011 has been an extremely busy and exciting year for the PRC. January 4th I took over as Executive Director and I haven't looked back since. What an exciting challenge and privilege it is to serve in this way. Daily we see lives helped in a great variety of ways.

I would like to thank all our wonderful donors, individual supporters, churches, organizations, and very special volunteers who have supported us in 2011. It is because of each of you individually we can continue to exist. Not a day goes by but we are thankful for you.

Although our final numbers are not in for 2011, it is important to note that we average 200 clients per month. Each comes with individual needs. Many take advantage of our 90+ parenting classes and others come for pregnancy tests. We also have many opportunities for options counseling and miscarriage & post abortion counseling. Daily we provide material assistance through our used clothing room, and baby food and diapers to young mothers in need. As is our mandate, we help women and children in crisis situations. All our services are free, and our clients are so very thankful for assistance.

From each of us at the Pregnancy Resource Centre we wish you a wonderful Christmas season and prosperous New Year. We are so appreciative of your ongoing support in every way. Together we are reaching out to those in need within our communities and changing lives, one life at a time. Thank you!

Connie

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

... from the Staff, Board, Volunteers, and Clients of the Pregnancy Resource Centre of Moncton. May your Christmas be blessed as you spend time with family & loved ones. Our 'Christmas Baby' born June 2011 sends his greetings. Thank you for your support!

STAFFING CHANGE

After working at the PRC for the past 3 years in the role of Administrative Coordinator, REANNE KRAUSS has left us to take on more responsibilities in the Pastoral role of her church. We so appreciate her years of service here. The following is an excerpt from her thoughts on life at the PRC.

Working for the few years that I did, at the Pregnancy Resource Centre, taught me a lot of things I would never have learned anywhere else. I heard stories, met clients and worked with people and children that only could have only been experienced at the PRC. Even though I spent much of my time on the phone, creating documents, stuffing envelopes or updating the donor database, I was still able to witness and be a part of the wonderful ministry the PRC was and is providing. I had some involvement with the clients and their children and it gave me a reality check as to what God sees every day.

My eyes were opened to the reality of daily lives in which our clients live. Many parents live without the means to supply the needs of their children. Many live without proper housing or education to get further ahead in their career goals. Many live without the love and hope that only God can provide. It's been evident over the years to me that we can't fix everyone's problems or situations, but we can at least try to share God's love and make life a little easier for those who live without. This has become very evident in my life, especially after my husband and I brought into this world our beautiful little girl in 2009. It breaks my heart to even think about not being able to provide for her needs. Some parents go day after day with wondering how they will ever be able to look after their children's needs (physical, emotional, spiritual) let alone their own.

These are the reasons why we desire to promote the wonderful work of the Pregnancy Resource Centre as best we can. From working in this ministry, I have seen firsthand how your donations, prayers, and good deeds, have made a difference in many lives. We ask that you continue to help the PRC to continue to be a place filled with God's love, hope and provision.

Reanne Krauss

From the heart of our clients. . .

-*Jenna came to us for a pregnancy test. Results were positive. For the next 8 months Jenna came to us for parenting classes. Jenna had major decisions to make early in her pregnancy: leave an abusive boyfriend, choose to care for her baby, and head back to school. In several weeks she will graduate from high school. This past week she came to the PRC to sign up for further parenting programs. Her beautiful baby girl is now 7 months old. Jenna constantly tells us, 'if it wasn't for all the help I got at the PRC, I don't know where I would be today'.

- *Ali took part in one of our Young Mothers in the Workforce coaching programs 2 years ago. This week she was able to proudly report that she is still assistance free. She is working and loving her job and was just accepted into College for the fall of 2012.

- *Marcy arrived early one Monday morning. She came to confirm what she already feared was a reality. The pregnancy test read 'positive'. Unplanned and unwanted, this baby was definitely not part of her plans. Her peer counselor discussed the options facing her. She left with a heavy heart, uncertain of her decision. One week later, Marcy returned for our help. She chose life for her baby and today is part of our weekly parenting program. Her baby is due in several months. With the help of her family and the PRC she feels equipped and prepared to parent her precious baby.

*names have been changed

Highlights for 2012:

- Valentines Music Night- February 11th
- Step Up For Life Kick-off breakfast- March 31st
- Step Up For Life Fundraising Walk- May 26th
- Annual General Meeting- June 12th
- Annual Benefit Fundraising Dinner- October 20th

Details for each of these events will be available as we draw closer to each date. It is our desire to contact each and every person who would like to be involved in these fundraisers. Please contact us for further details.





Mommy & Me Program



*Children too are
a gift from the
LORD, the fruit of
the womb, a
reward!*

2011 Praise Items

- Clients who chose life for their baby
- 40 babies born to date
- 40 layettes given out
- Home With a Heart Program – Four clients graduated
- Mom's Time Out summer program
- Male client of 14 years asked God to take control of his life
- Step Up For Life Walk
- Many opportunities for our Director to speak
- New step and walkway
- Bathroom renovations
- Extensive painting within
- More opportunities to present hope in God
- Rogers (French) TV presentation
- WAIT program presentations in local high schools
- Post abortion counseling
- Miscarriage counseling
- New volunteers
- Volunteer training day
- Over 1400 volunteer hours to date
- Shoppers Drug Mart Tree of Life fundraiser
- Home Depot providing finances and manpower for project
- Successful annual benefit dinner

Ways you can help us-

Used children's clothing (0-6)
Used maternity clothing
New baby items
New maternity clothing
Baby soap, shampoos, etc
Diapers & wipes
Formula & bottles
Baby food & cereal

Toiletries for women
Volunteers (client & non-client)
Child care (occasional)
Social committee (occasional)
Handy Man (repairs)
New shingles on back roof (leaking)
Chimney repair (leaking in basement)
Prayer support
Financial support

"For unto us a
child is born, to us
a son is given."

Pregnancy Resource Centre of Moncton 25th Anniversary Celebrations 2012

In 2012 we are thrilled to celebrate 25 years of God's faithfulness to the PRC. It is an exciting time. We rejoice in the countless lives touched over the years, the children who have been given the gift of life and those in crisis who found help and hope. During 2012, we desire to highlight various aspects of the Pregnancy Resource Centre as well as celebrate those who have so faithfully had part in the initial planning steps, past staff, volunteers, and very faithful supporters. Stay tuned for special events and celebrations.



Looking for a great Christmas gift idea?

Contact us to purchase these great stocking stuffers:

-Johnny Coupon Books @ \$45.00 each

**-PRC Cookbooks @ 12.00 each or
Two for \$20.00**

Founded in 1986 as the Moncton Crisis Pregnancy Centre Inc., this ministry has been active in Moncton and the surrounding communities for almost twenty-five years. As a Christian, non-profit organization, we have extended a helping hand to thousands of young women and their families. Offering a variety of free services and programs, we seek to support those who find themselves facing an unplanned pregnancy, need help with parenting, material assistance or options counseling.

Donations over \$10.00 & mailed by December 31st will receive a tax receipt for 2011

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